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Please note that U.S. Patent No. 6,382,292 is equivalent to EP 0,867,917, and that US 6,427,748 is equivalent to EP 097,242. These European publications are listed on the Search Report submitted herewith.

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